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Philosopher John Dewey, at 90, Playwriter George Bernard Shaw at 93, baseball's Connie Mack at 87, and other famous men are looking forward to their 100th birthday. The secret of their longevity—of their youthful mental and physical stamina is revealed in the dynamic article, "How to Live to Be 100," appearing in January 1 issue of The American Weekly Nation's Favorite Magazine with the BALTIMORE SUNDAY AMERICAN Order from your local Newsdealer

NOTICE: The Appomattox Restaurant will be closed Monday and Tuesday of next week, December 26 and 27. -Fannie Mae Waller, prop. (1tc)

TOWN ORDINANCES:

Be it ordained that the speed limit on U. S. Route 460 shall not exceed 25 miles per hour within the Corporate Limits. That the maximum speed limit on Lee - Grant Avenue shall be 15 miles per hour; 25 miles per hour on Court Street, and 15 miles per hour on Church Street and Main Street. All limits to become effective and enforced upon erection of proper signs and publication.

—TOWN COUNCIL

Dated: September 5, 1949.

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Legend of the YULE LOG

In Virginia, the old Dominion, storied land of early American history, there is an old tradition of the origin of the Yule log that is retold every Christmas.

As the family sits around the Yule log and sips their Christmas eggnog on Christmas eve, the ancient legend is recounted again.

One very cold Christmas eve, when the frost had bowled across a world of snow, an old man was sitting in his little cabin wishing that he had a fire to warm him.

Suddenly he heard the cry of a little child away out in the cold. The old man bobbled to the door and peered out across the snow. The wind and the snow came rustling in and the old man shivered until his "ouliest two teef" chattered with cold.

The plaintive cry of the child came again above the whistle of the wind. It went straight to the old man's heart and he wished with all his power of longing that he might have the strength to go out and find the unfortunate babe.

The cry came a third time — and then a wonderous thing happened. A miraculous power filled the old man's veins. His muscles became strong and tense, his crutch fell back into the cabin and he stepped from his threshhold out into the snow.

Hurrying over the snow with a speed he had not owned since boyhood, by and by he came to a little child lying in a snow bank. He bent down and taunted the child and a great new strength flowed over him, a strength which seemed to give him wings as he sped back to his cabin.

Arriving there, he placed the child upon the bed, tenderly drew the ragged coverlet about it and then looked to see if there were a bit of furniture he could use to make a fire with which to warm the little one.

At that precise moment a great log rolled across the threshold and into the fireplace. The little child looked at the log with eyes like stars—stars which sent gleams of light that kindled the log with the most brilliant fire the old man ever had seen.

The dingy little room immediately was filled with cheer and warmth, and as the light encrapped the child he laughed and laughed with a melody like a song from the heart. The old man turned his eyes to where the fire burned and watched the flames leap in beautiful rainbow tints over the log, and as his old eyes watched, the colors seemed to form the shape of the Cross in the fire.

The flames of the Cross leaped higher and higher, blue, red, yellow and white, and as the old man watched this display, suddenly and magically there appeared a table in the center of the room, covered with a Christmas feast such as never before had been spread before his eyes. And never again was the old man hungry or cold, and never after that was there a Christmas in old Virginia without the Yule log and the Christmas Child to give light and warmth.

And that is the story of the Yule log as it is told in Virginia every Christmas eve.

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The ideal Christmas tree is the fir, because of its tendency to hold its needles longer.

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A final step in trimming the Christmas tree is frosting it with fluffy snow. A simple and popular form of snow is ordinary soap flakes.

Church News

Memorial Methodist Church

Appomattox, Va.
R. Cecil Maxwell, Minister

9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
Claude W. Smith, Superintendent.
11 A. M. Morning Worship.
Christmas Sermon, Anthem by the Adult Choir.
6:30 P. M. Fellowship for ages nine through twenty-four.
7:30 P. M. Candlelighting Service. Christmas Music by the Youth Choir.
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...me Agent's Schedule, ...es of January 2- 7:

...me ...nstrations will ...on ...ries ice ...dip cover ...dies.

...nday, Jan. 2- The Rocks Home ...nstration Club will meet at 2 ...k at the home of Mrs. John ...mson.

...nday, Jan. 3- The Lee Home ...nstration Club will meet at ...P. M. Place of meeting to be announced.

...ed, Jan 4- The Glendale Home ...nstration Club will meet at 2 ...k with Mrs. Howard Nash.

...urs, Jan. 5- The Hixburg House ...nstration Club will meet at 2 ...k Place to be announced.

...day, Jan. 6- The 4-H Honor ...b will meet at 1:30 P. M. in the ...ent's office for re-organiza- ...n and election of officers.

...hristmas In ...hiamsburg

...ile as many Quail as you have ...ed This was the first order of ...r some 200 years ago when ...sidents of Williamsburg, Va., ...gre themselves over to pre- ...ions for the all-important Yule- ...e. Epicurean delicacies ...e a major part of these festivi- ...es, and will receive all due ...ect this holiday season in the ...ic revival of old rituals and ...ms in the capital of His Majes- ...y's Virginia Colony.

...e main fowl was a favorite. ...d Virginia recipe makes a dis- ...ct in the preparation of quail. ...s as many Quail as you have ...n remove Feathers and En- ...e without splitting as you would ...r Roasting. It continues ...ir rarity with a large Oyster ...ffing and small ones. Sprinkle the Quail ...h with pepper and salt and ...n Bread-crumbs. Put Birds in a ...n with some Water and there ...ll be a little in a moderate Oven. ...ke frequently, until well brown ...ve. Serve on toast with the ...y poured over each one."

...ors to Colonial Williamsburg ...ve from about December 11 ...ough January 6 will find the restored ...n thronged with simple, gra- ...ful holly and pine after the ...n of old, and from the wre- ...ths the city candles will shine ...th the famous "White Light" ...f the old town.

...e custom of the Yule Log is ...ll in use at the Wil- ...msburg Lodge. The Log, festive- ...corated, is thrown on the fire ...ceremonies in 18th century ...d each person present ...ts a bit of holly or pine ...ood luck during the coming ...ar. The burning of the Log is an ...ncient one, symbolizing the burn- ...ay of one's sins of the past ...ar.

...1842, what is believed to be ...e first Christmas tree in Virginia ...as set up and decorated in the St. ...Tarker House, on Market ...Green, by Charles Frederick ...Wenzle, a guest of the Tuck- ...ahoe professors of Latin and ...k at William and Mary College ...a political refugee from Ger- ...ny. The custom of lighting and ...corating trees was popular in Ger- ...ny many years, and Minni- ...ature sought it to Williamsburg. ...ing on this tradition each year ...n Williamsburg, a large ...ristly tree is set up on Market ...Green opposite the Ta- ...Tarker House. On Christ- ...mas Eve, it is lighted up and si- ...ltaneously all the church bells in ...Williamsburg begin to peal. Groups ...ather through the town singing ...ristmas carols and ushering in ...e season in a picturesque fashion.

...e townspeople and their ...ese events are punctuated ...th numerous parties and ...use, and the eggnog, fruit- ...d plum puddings that will ...any a dining board will be ...ed from the traditional recipes, ...e spice and brandies, butter ...d eggs.

...omas Egg-Nogg, a...y All-time ...ite, is made thusly.

...e Yolks of Twelve Eggs well- ...ten, (Continued on Page Eight)

Mayor On Air Tomorrow

George B. Buchanan, Mayor of Appomattox, will be the guest of Calvin H. Robinson, Times-Virginian editor, on his 12:30 radio program this Friday, Mr. Robinson broadcasts each Friday, 12:30 to 12:55 P. M. over Station WWOD, Lynchburg. Mayor Buchanan will review top events of 1949 in Appomattox.

Mr. Robinson may also be heard as a news commentator at 7:45 P. M. each Friday over WWOD.

FATHER DARKLEAF

By The Editor

Sidewalk superintendents had to take a back seat this week as a crew of expert workmen began erecting the new town water tank in Appomattox. It turned up as a job for experts, only, for hoisting huge chunks of steel into lofty positions called for plenty of "know how." The task is scheduled for completion in three weeks.

Black crepe replaced the green holly in the homes of more than 500 persons killed in holiday accidents across the nation. Nearly 400 of the deaths were from traffic accidents.

Lest we think w... big paper: the Baltimore News - Post carried 516 In Memoriams in its issue of last Saturday, Christmas Eve. And one Virginia weekly published 64 paces in its Christmas Greetings edition.

Japanese girls are more than usually happy this Christmas because General Douglas MacArthur is making them all one year younger "during 1950. Under occupation tutelage the Japanese Legislature recently passed a law changing the age-old system of counting age in Japan. The effect will be to turn back the clock 12 months for everyone beginning in 1950.

Garland Garrett Is Honored

Garland Garrett, a Virginia Tech Junior from Appomattox, has been elected national president of the student section of the American Society of Agronomy. A corporal in the Tech Corps of Cadets, Garrett recently attended the national convention of the ASA.

P. C. Hales

Mr. Peter C. Hales, 81, died Friday afternoon here at the home of his great-nephew, Ulric O. Rothgeb. He was born Nov. 1, 1868, in Buckingham County, son of Dr. and Mrs. Hales. He is survived by three neices, Mrs. H. H. Budd, Beach; Mrs. J. T. Smith, Crewe; and Mrs. Oma Lee Moore, Bonham, Texas.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at New Store Presbyterian Church. Active pallbearers were five grand-nephews and one cousin: Ulric O. Rothgeb, John Rothgeb, Clyde C. Rothgeb, Robert R. Rothgeb, Nelson C. Hamlett and Henry H. Budd, Jr.

Bowl football games scheduled for next Monday.

Sailor is killed in shooting in Portsmouth.

Catholic Church is being built in Farmville.

VA. SHEEP BREEDERS

Three of Virginia's leading sheep breeders have been named to executive positions in national sheep breed associations.

Alex Meek, Burkes Garden, is the president of the American Hampshire Sheep Breeders Association. W. S. Belfield, Gordonsville, is vice-president of the American Southdown Sheep Breeders Association; and Sam F. McGuire, Jr., Spottswood, is on the board of directors of the American Shropshire Sheep Breeders Association.

Review of '49 Road Work In Appomattox

...Major emphasis in the 1949 Appomattox County secondary highway improvement program was placed on preserving roads previously improved and surfacing school bus and lightly traveled roads, State Highway Resident Engineer W. C. Poston said this week.

In a year-end roundup, Poston reported that 21.3 miles of hard surfaced roads were resurfaced with bituminous materials, 15 miles of dirt roads stabilized with crushed stone for all-weather travel, and 5.7 miles of gravel or soil roads hard surfaced.

Roads hard surfaced for the first time included 4.46 miles on Route 604 between Route 26 and Chap; 3.85 mile on Route 600 near Hickory, and .4 mile on Route 681 west of Evergreen.

In a continuing plan of raising the capacity of weak bridges as rapidly as funds permit, six new structures were built and two others strengthened with major repairs, he said.

The new bridges are over South Fork of Wreck Island Creek on Route 653, North Fork of Cub Creek on Route 681,Southwest Fork of Wreck Island Creek on Route 653, Wreck Island Creek on Route 608, and two over Falling River on Routes 647 and 650.

One of the outstanding accomplishments of the year, the resident engineer said, was the replacement of an overflow timber bridge on Route 608 over Wreck Island Creek west of Oakville. A three-span 114-foot reinforced concrete bridge replaced the old low-water wooden structures.

General plans for the future, the engineer commented, call for continuing the plan of stabilizing school bus, RFD and lightly traveled roads for year-round travel, and strengthening or replacing of weak and inadequate bridges for the increasing weight of farm-to-market traffic.

Improving Road Signs

Antiquated highway route markers in some 23 Virginia towns and cities have been replaced with modern reflectorized signs, and the replacement process is underway in 38 other municipalities, the State Highway Department reported today.

Throughout the state, every town and city has agreed to replace its old-fashioned route designators with signs conforming to standards outlined in the highway department's new traffic sign manual.

Larger than the old style route markers, the new signs are painted to reflect a headlight's beam at night. The numerals are larger and more legible. There is additional space for numerals since the words "U. S." or "Virginia" do not appear on the face of the new signs.

It will be some 30 months before the sign renovation is completed in every town and city, the highway department said.

Appomattox Holiday Trade

Appomattox merchants in general reported an excellent volume of business during the Christmas shopping season just ended. The rush reached a peak last Friday and Saturday.

Many local stores are now engaged in the annual task of taking inventory.

CORRECTION:

In Dec. 15 issue of the Times-Virginian an error was made in our printing of the Evergreen news letter. The item: "Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Garrett are the happy parents of a baby girl," should have read: "Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Grishaw are the happy parents of a baby girl."

We regret this error and are glad to make this correction.-The Editor.

How Much Will Farmers Make And Spend In Coming Year?

How much money will farm families make in 1950? How much will they spend and for what?

V. P. I. Extension Service staff members, who with other State and Federal officials have made a study of the matter, give this view of the money side of the 1950 question.

Most farmers will find their incomes dipping from the peak years of 1947 and 1948—they slipped 10 per cent in 1949—but they'll still be more money down on this farm than before the war.

Farm family spending probably will remain close to the 1949 level. Farmers have, generally, bettered living conditions the past few years —and they like it that way.

These factors are expected to help maintain family living standards:

The record number of farms with electricity have an added incentive to make improvements.

The Housing Act of 1949 may stimulate work on the large number of farm homes still needing improvements.

Payment of veterans' insurance policies may furnish additional income to some families for improvements.

Cuts may be made in sums used for gifts and contributions, recreations, house furnishings and equipment. Food and clothing expenditures are less likely to decrease.

When Mrs. Housewife goes shopping for the family wardrobe next spring, she probably will find lower prices for some wool and rayon textile products. The future of cotton is still a question.

She may not always be able to find exactly what she wants, because if downward trends in prices continue, manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers can stay cautious about buying. However, supplies at retail are expected to be generally good, and the shopper should continue to hold high standards for clothing purchases, and to tell the retailer what she wants.

Spout Spring Boy Made Team

Frank McCann, of Spout Spring, was one of the players on this year's freshman football team at The College of William and Mary. He is the son of J. A. McCann. He is 6 foot two inch, 190 pound tackle.

Indonesian Republic gets freedom.

Russians say 11 Japs confess to germ warfare plot.

First Half of Century Featured Automotive Development

At the turn of the century, America was a land of the livery stable, the hitching post and the mud road; of tight-packed cities and a dominantly rural population almost completely shut off from contact with any but immediate neighbors.

Today, at the century's half-way point, the land is laced by a network of all-weather highways. The cities sprawl out over the countryside. The farm is but a short drive from town.

In the cities and along the highways are a half - million business houses unheard of in the year 1900 —gasoline stations, repair garages, trucking firms, automobile and accessories salerooms, taxi and bus companies, and many more

And where 8,000 automobiles jolted and sputtered over dirt roads and cobblestone streets 50 years ago, today almost 44 million cars, trucks and buses roll along our roads and streets covering a distance that now is approaching a half-trillion miles per year.

In the year 1900 the nation got a hint of what was coming.

That year, 57 U. S. motor vehicles plants built a total of 4,192 vehicles —for the first time exceeding the output of wagon and carriage makers.

Since then over 1,500 firms have tried their hand at building motor vehicles. Today 53 firms remain — four less than at the turn of the century. But instead of 4,192 vehicles a year, output in 1949 will be well above six million cars, trucks and buses.

And instead of the 3,000 employees the industry had at the turn of the century, today U. S. automotive firms employ nearly 800,000.

If you add in the people who sell, service, or work as paid operators of motor vehicles, highway transportation in the U. S. now employs over nine million persons.

But that only begins to tell what change the gasoline era brought.

In the year 1900, the average person seldom traveled over 200 miles a year beyond his immediate neighborhood. Today the average family car travels nearly 10,000 miles a year.

It means we no longer need live near our work-place. It means a wide variety of business, social and recreational activities that one weren't possible are taken for granted now.

It's brought mass attendance at sports events, theatres, golf courses and parks. It's built a $10 billion yearly tourist and resort industry, with 60 million Americans now taking a yearly vacation in their family cars.

Our whole rural educational system was changed. Today 5 1-2 million young people ride school buses daily to consolidated grade and high schools. The one-room rural school is disappearing, and high school enrollment has risen at a record rate.

Where farms not near a railroad formerly produced no crops for outside markets, today 89 per cent of all farm products go to market by truck. Ourput has more than doubled. Farm property values rose from $20 billions to $90 billions in the last 50 years.

Urban land values have increased even more. A lonesome acre that sold for $5 in the horse era may bring $1,000 or more today as a suburban home site.

The rise in urban land values accounts for the ability of small towns to build modern schools, to provide many municipal services unknown in the past, and to attract new stores, homes and industrial plants.

The eight million trucks now on our highways have played a big role in these changes. Their farm-to-market service has given us fresh foods the year around instead of just "in season."

They've linked every cross-roads store into a nation-wide system for mass distribution of industry's products. They've let factories spread out into small towns and rural areas.

And what about the future?

A noted Harvard University economist, Dr. Sumner H. Slichter, declares it's a safe prediction that in another generation 70 million cars will be on our highways.

The pattern of the next half-century is already taking shape.

New express highways are reaching into and across our large cities. New shopping centers, with ample parking spaces, are developing rapidly.

New residential neighborhoods, with main traffic arteries flowing around them rather than through them, are reviving our old checkerboard street layouts.

In 50 years, motor vehicles have brought sweeping changes in American life. There's every indication that the process will continue during the last half of this fast-moving century.

Good start for business in 1950 is foreseen.

Winners For Christmas Decorations

A committee of judges inspected Christmas decorations of doors and over-all appearance of residential property here Monday night, and announced the following selections for honors:

Over-all appearance:
First, Camp Winonah
Second, Mrs. H. B. Martin
Third, Mrs. Ned Hancock
Honorable mention: Mrs. A. B. Harwood, Jr. and Mrs. Thomas Richardson.

Door decoration:
First, Miss Beulah Ferrell
Second, Mrs. Ivey Holland
Third, Mrs. J. E. Sears.

The Christmas decorations here this Christmas were widely acclaimed for attractiveness and originality.

State Revenues Show Increase

Revenues for Virginia's general fund during the first five months of this fiscal year ran some 17 per cent ahead of the comparable period last year.

A total of $24,532,610 flowed into the general fund during the July - November period, an increase of $3,457,671.

These indications that the state is well on its way to a good financial year—even before revenues from increased income tax rates are felt— came this week from the monthly compilation of revenues prepared by the office of State Comptroller Henry C. Stuart.

January 15 Deadline For Farm Reports

Farmers who expect to receive cash payments for practices carried out under the 1950 Agricultural Conservation Program must file their performance reports with the PMA county office in Appomattox not later than January 15, 1950. In making this announcement, Mr. Bennett Harding, Chairman of the Appomattox PMA County Committee, reminded farmers that they may make their reports in person at the PMA county office up to closing time. Friday, January 13, but such reports will be accepted if postmarked before midnight, January 15.

The reports referred to are statements from farmers as to the amount of lime and fertilizer used, and how used, and the extent to which they may have carried out other conservation practices for which Government assistance is allowed to cover part of the out-of-pocket costs.

Mr. Harding said that the January 15 deadline is a month earlier than it was last year and should work to the farmers' advantage by speeding up payments. After performance reports are received, the PMA county office must prepare individual applications for payments to be processed through the Treasury Department. It is his desire that those applications be cleared in advance of the time when the Treasury encounters its annual rush period in making income tax refunds.

If farmers file their reports in person, they may at the same time sign farm worksheets for practices to be carried out under the 1950 Agricultural Conservation Program, and they may also place orders for ACP materials.

Retirement of Dewey is forecast after his present term as Governor of New York.

May introduce bill in General Assembly to force football game between William and Mary and the University of Virginia.

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